

# INGRAM TANK WASH

## Brings Unique Service to Regional Industries

The heart of a business sits with its leaders. Ingram Tank Wash and Jasa Trucking thrive thanks to owner Linda Ingram-Jasa who helped found her businesses with late husband Rick.

“When you have good people, you can have success,” said Ingram-Jasa.

The Ingram Tank Wash team has achieved more than eight injury-free years. The record’s impressive as Ingram Tank Wash cleaned 8,887 tankers last year with only two units returned for a re-wash. The shop was built for easy washing, sanitation and safety. Heated floors ensure solid footing for employees.

Ingram Tank Wash, situated in Blair, is among a slew of agricultural businesses requiring regular tank washes. The state-of-the-art facility runs 24 hours-a-day with eight employees. They wash 20-40 tanks per day.

Crews understand food-grade requirements and operate one of the only Kosher-certified tank washes in the area. A rabbi from St. Louis visits regularly to inspect the operation.

Service Manager David Tuttle has worked for Ingram Truck Wash since 2005.


“Jasa Trucking started this washing operation because they were going all over the place to wash their own tanks,” Tuttle said. “We kept having to reject the washes because they weren’t done right. All that re-work takes time and take trailers off the road.”

Ingram Tank Wash sprays water heated to 190 degrees inside each tank for about 15 minutes. A high-powered spinner is lowered from the top so no entry is required. The computer-regulated system is state-of-the-art and customized per customer requirements and product. Some trucks return for a wash after 12 loads. Others are washed

immediately after one load.

Ingram Tank Wash also instituted quality checks long before they were required. They perform 3M, detergent and protein tests to ensure an effective wash. An inline, redundant, thermometer provides another check for temperature control.

“We just keep adding to business,” Ingram said. “We have some capacity left, but I’ve been checking out what it would take to expand.”

Linda has kept Ingram Tank Wash and Jasa Trucking a family business. Her nephew John, serves as vice president. Linda started the company with her husband in 1997 after working as a special education teacher. Jasa Trucking has 100 drivers, 45 of which are owner-operators. Her companies are sponsoring the NTA Women’s Council Launch Reception at the NTA Fall Conference Sept. 25 in York. 



FROM TOP LEFT TO RIGHT, ADAM JOHNSON INSTALLS A HIGH-TECH SPRAYER INTO A TANK TRAILER. SCOTT EXSTROM SPRAYS AN OUTLET BOX. SERVICE MANAGER DAVID TUTTLE CHECKS COMPUTERIZED CONTROLS.